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Although an indorsee receives a bill of lading from a fraudulent vendor, with instructions to take up a particular draft, yet if he is liable upon other drafts of the vendor, he may hold the goods to indemnify himself against that liability, although he receives notice of the fraud before the other drafts become due. *Id.*

Negotiability is a technical term derived from the usage of merchants and bankers in transferring, at first, bills of exchange, and, afterwards, promissory notes. Bills of exchange and promissory notes are exceptional in their character. Therefore, *held*, that under a statute making bills of lading negotiable by indorsement and delivery, all the consequences of an indorsement and delivery of bills and notes before maturity do not ensue, and are not intended to result from such negotiation. *Shaw v. Merchants Nat. Bk.* 189.

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Of Goods and Animals.

A common carrier received a package for transportation, agreeing to carry it for a stipulated sum prepaid, without inquiry as to its value or notice of a limited liability on account of value, and without misrepresentation or artifice on the part of the shipper. Discovering that the package was of greater value than he had supposed, he refused to deliver it to the consignee without additional compensation which the consignee paid. *Held*, that the latter might maintain an action to recover it back, 59.

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A person committed certain crimes at a time more than two years antecedent to the finding of an indictment, and at a time when the law barred the prosecution for such crimes by the lapse of two years; after two years had run and the prosecution was thus barred, the legislature repealed the act of limitation, and extended the time three years beyond the original limit. *Held*, that such repeal and extension were valid. *Id.*

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Party to equity cause who is in contempt, will not be heard until contempt is purged, 419.

Courts of record have an inherent power to punish for disorderly conduct in the court-room, resistance of their process, or any other interference with their proceedings which amounts to actual contempt. Section 2 of ch. 28, Comp. Laws, (Kas.) 1879, places no limit on the power of the district court in matters of contempt, but only upon that of the district judge at chambers. *In re Millington*, 447.

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Plaintiffs were champagne merchants at Epernay, in France. Defendant, whose name was the same as that of plaintiffs, having entered their house and learnt the business, acted for two years as their representative in England, and then wrote a letter to them, by which he undertook not to represent any other champagne house for two years after leaving plaintiffs' employment, and not to establish himself or associate himself with other persons or houses in the champagne trade for ten years after leaving them. Defendant left plaintiffs' employment in March, 1877, and in May, 1878, commenced business in London as a retail wine merchant, and sold champagne as well as other wines. In his circulars and advertisements, and on the labels and corks of the champagne bottles, were the words "Ay Champagne" but he had no establishment anywhere except in London. *Held*, that the defendant had committed a breach of the agreement. *Held*, also, that the agreement was valid, as the restriction was not larger than was necessary for the reasonable protection of the plaintiffs. There is no hard and fast rule that a contract in restraint of trade unlimited as to space is invalid, but the validity depends on the reasonableness of the contract. *Roullison v. Rousson*, 270.

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A, a baker in Detroit, ordered of B, an ornamental sign painter in New York, a quantity of show cards. The contract was entered into by correspondence, and in one of his letters A enclosed a sketch of what he wanted, which among other things contained a shield with the word "established" on one side of it and the figures "1875" on the other. The letter stated that A wanted "something of this style," referring to the sketch, and concluded by saying, "Give us a clean, neat label." The cards were completed and forwarded to A, who refused to receive them, for the reason that the word "established" and the figures "1875" were placed at the top instead of in the position indicated by the sketch. *Held*, that the contract gave B a discretion as to the artistic arrangement of the figures, and that A's refusal to accept could not be sustained. *Thouboron v. Lewis*, 28.

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Q, having entered into a contract with a county board to do all the county printing at rates less than those allowed by statute, and having received and done such printing, sought to repudiate the contract rates and recover at those named in the statute. *Held*, that the contract rates controlled. *Quigley v. Commls*, 510.

Where a contract is made to do certain work at certain rates, the contract rates control as to the work actually done, although all the work contracted for was not given by the employer to the contractor. The latter may not repudiate the contract *in toto*, and recover upon a *quantum meruit*, but may recover any damages sustained from the employer's breach of contract. *Id.*

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Where a lease of lots, executed by both parties, fixed the annual rent for the first five years, and then provided that the amount of the rent to be paid annually for the next five years should be six per cent. on the appraised value of the premises, to be ascertained by appraisers, one to be selected by each party, and they to select another, in case they could not agree, it was held that the contract was not within the statute of frauds, as to the rent to be paid for the second five years, *Id.*

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A city charter provided that persons elected to city offices should enter upon their duties upon the third Tuesday in April, but that they should have ten days after notification of their election in which to qualify, and that no office should not be deemed vacant until the expiration of that period. At an election held April 6, G, an alien, received the highest number of votes. The votes were canvassed April 12, and on April 13 he was notified of his election. He was admitted to citizenship on April 21, and on the same day filed his official bond. *Held*, that G was entitled to the office. *Id.*

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In other civil cases involving issues charging or implying crime, the general rule of the preponderance of evidence prevails; but the presumption of law in favor of innocence, and evidence of good character, if produced, must be taken into consideration by the jury in ascertaining on which side the preponderance exists. *Id.*

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A person is not entitled to use another's name in describing his goods in trade, though his own name is the same or he has assumed the same name, if by so doing he in fact represents that his own goods are from the other's manufactory. Id.

"Thorley's Food for Cattle" was a condiment made, according to a particular recipe not invented by Thorley, first by Thorley, and afterwards by his executors, at Thorley's works, but it had not become an article of commerce, like "Liebig's Extract of Meat." Subsequently a company, called J. W. Thorley's Cattle Food Company, was started, and made a condiment very nearly identical with that made at Thorley's works, and sold it in packets closely resembling those used by Thorley and his executors. Held, that the name assumed by the company, and the manner in which they sold their goods, showed an intention, and was in fact calculated, to mislead the public into believing that the company were successors in Thorley's business, and that their goods were made at Thorley's works; and that the company must be restrained by injunction. Id.

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For a breach of a duty enjoined by statute, and causing damage, an action lies by the party for whose benefit the duty was imposed. Therefore, where a statute required all buildings in a city to be provided with ladders and fire-escapes, and a house which A rented of B, and in which he and his family resided, was not so provided, and A's wife was burned to death: *Held*, that B was liable to A in damages. *Willey v. Mulledy*, 191.

The mere fact that A occupied the house, and did not examine whether it was provided with a fire escape, would not be bar; neither would it that A, knowing that the fire-escape was not provided, continued to occupy it. He was entitled not only to rely on the duty being performed, but also to a reasonable time in which to find another house. *Id.*

That possibly, had the fire-escape been provided, the loss of life might still have happened, would not prevent the action. *Id.*

Trustees and directors of savings banks are bound to the exercise of skill and judgment as well as care and diligence. The remarks of Sharswood, J., in *Sperling's Appeal*, 71 Pa. St. 11, that directors "are not liable for mistakes of judgment, even though they may be so gross as to appear to us absurd and ridiculous, provided they are honest," condemned. *Hun v. Carey*, 307.

A savings bank commenced business in 1867. At the beginning of 1873 its total expenses were over \$5,000 more than its income. Its depositors numbered 1,000, representing \$70,000, and its assets consisted of \$13,000 in cash and a number of mortgages on real estate. Shortly afterwards the directors, in order to inspire confidence and attract depositors, resolved to erect a new banking house, and for this purpose purchased a lot for \$29,250, and bound themselves to erect thereon a building costing \$27,000. To pay for this building most of the money was taken and some of the mortgages sold. In consequence thereof the bank became unable to continue, and was placed in the hands of a receiver. *Held*, that the jury was justified in finding the directors guilty of a want of that skill and prudence which the law requires. *Id.*

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The construction of water-works by a city is not a nuisance *per se*, 148.

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An instruction authorizing a recovery for plaintiff, if defendant was negligent in permitting the accumulation of dry grass and other combustible matter on its right of way, to which fire was communicated by sparks or coals from its engine, and extended to plaintiff's premises, although the engine, machinery and spark arrester were of the most approved pattern and in perfect order, and competently and skillfully managed, is erroneous, where no issue as to such negligent accumulation of dry grass, or other combustible matter, is made by the pleadings or evidence. *Id.*

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An indorsement on a bill of exchange, directing the drawee to pay to another, "on account of" the indorser, or "for collection," is a restrictive indorsement, the effect of which is to restrict the further negotiability of the bill, and to give notice that the indorser does not thereby give title to the bill, or to its proceeds when collected. *Id.*

Although there may be no privity between the owner of the bill and the last indorsee, yet, if the latter collects the bill, he is bound to pay the proceeds to the owner, and the latter may recover in *assumpsit*, on the ground that the defendant has property in his possession which belongs to the plaintiff, and refuses to pay the same over. *Id.*

Where one entitled to notice of dishonor of a negotiable instrument resides within the same post-office delivery as the one whose duty it is to give the notice, it must be personally served or left at his residence; it is only where he resides nearest to or is accustomed to receive his mail at another post-office that notice is good by mail. *Forbes v. Omaha Nat. Bk.*, 209.

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Where a negotiable promissory note, payable to bearer, has been lost or stolen without the fault or neglect of the owner, and is presented for payment when overdue, the party liable to pay it is bound by previous notice of the loss to inquire into the title of the *de facto* holder before payment. *Hinckley v. Union Pacific R. Co.*, 343.

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A State statute permitting suit to be brought against a receiver in courts other than the one of his appointment, can not control the action of a Federal court. *Id.*

A petition claiming damages for personal injury by a defendant corporation in the hands of a receiver, is not a "suit at common law," within the meaning of the Constitution, and the petitioner is not entitled to a jury trial as of right. *Id.*

A non-resident may be appointed receiver in the Federal courts. *Taylor v. Life Assn. of America*, 206.

In the Federal courts, the non-resident parties will not be restricted to finding sureties resident in the State where the court is held, when required to give bonds in the progress of the litigation, unless for special reasons the court should so direct. This applies when a non-resident is appointed receiver. *Id.*

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The words, "fertilizers, compounded of the purest materials," "of the highest standard," "introduced under my own name and guarantee," amount to an express warranty of good results from the article described, as a fertilizer. *Id.*

Where, in an action for the purchase-money of acid phosphate, the defense is failure of the article to conform to the quality warranted, material, represented by defendant in his testimony to be the substance sold, may be exhibited to the jury, although defendant admits that the seller's directions for composting were not wholly complied with. *Id.*

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The collection of such assessments will not be prohibited by injunction, except under special circumstances, such as leave the complainant without any remedy at law, and bring his case under some one of the recognized heads of equity jurisdiction as of fraud, irreparable injury, clouding title to real estate, or the prevention of a multiplicity of suits. *Id.*

If a city ordinance imposes certain conditions which must be complied with in order to make a valid assessment or tax, the neglect or omission of the city's officers or agents to comply with any one of the conditions renders the tax void; and should the payment of an invalid tax be enforced by a threatened or actual sale of property, real or personal, the owner may pay the amount of the tax under protest and bring his action against the city to recover back the amount so paid, or he may have an action of trespass for the recovery of damages; or, where real estate has been sold under a tax levy, the owner may test the validity of the tax by an action of ejectment. Another remedy is by a writ of *certiorari*. *Id.*

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the fact that the rules of the company prohibit him from so doing will not excuse him. *Id.*

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